

Title: GOLF CLUB HEAD HAVING A BI-POLYMER FACE INSERT AND METHOD OF MAKING SAME

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Amendment

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended). A golf club head comprising:

a club head body composed of a first material, said club head body having a front face with a first cavity formed therein, **said first cavity comprising side walls and a bottom wall;**

a face insert composed of a second material disposed within the first cavity, said face insert comprising a body with a front surface, a back surface and a lateral surface, the back surface having a second cavity formed therein, **the second cavity having a planar bottom surface and lateral walls defining a height and a width dimension of the second cavity, the second cavity comprising a recess the depth of which is less than both the height dimension and the width dimension;** and

a cavity insert comprising a body composed of a third material disposed ~~{within}~~ **in** the second cavity.

2. (Original). The golf club head of claim 1, wherein:

said club head body is composed of metal.

3. (Original). The golf club head of claim 1, wherein;

said face insert is composed of a polymer.

4. (Original). The golf club head of claim 3, wherein:

said cavity insert is composed of a polymer having a lower durometer than said face insert.

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5. (Original). The golf club head of claim 4, wherein:

said cavity insert is composed of a silicone compound.
6. (Original). The golf club of claim 1, further comprising:

an adhesive layer disposed between said club head body and said cavity insert.
7. (Original). The golf club of claim 1, wherein:

said face insert includes a continuous lip extending outward from the lateral surface of said face insert, the lip being adapted to center said face insert in said first cavity.
8. (Original). The golf club of claim 7, wherein:

said first cavity has a depth of approximately 0.215 inch; and

said face insert has a thickness of approximately 0.200 inch.
9. (Original). The golf club of claim 8, wherein:

the lip extends outwardly approximately 0.025 inch from the lateral surface of said face insert.
10. (Currently Amended). A golf club head comprising:

a club head body composed of a first material, said club head body having a front face with a first cavity formed therein, the first cavity being defined by a bottom wall and a side wall;

a face insert composed of a second material disposed in the first recess, said face insert having a front surface, a back surface and a lateral surface, the lateral surface having a continuous raised lip extending outwardly from the lateral surface of the face insert, the raised lip

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contacting the side wall of the first cavity to center said face insert within the first cavity, the back surface of said face insert having formed therein a second cavity defined by a ~~{bottom surface and a side surface;}~~ **planar bottom surface and lateral walls defining a height and a width dimension of the second cavity, the second cavity comprising a recess the depth of which is less than both the height dimension and the width dimension;**

a cavity insert composed of a third material disposed in the second cavity **such that said cavity insert does not contact the side wall of the first cavity;** and

an adhesive layer for adhering said face insert to said club head body disposed between said cavity insert and the bottom wall of the first cavity.

11. (Original). The golf club head of claim 10, wherein:

said face insert is composed of a polymer having a first durometer and hardness; and

said cavity insert is composed of a polymer having a second durometer that is lower in value than said first durometer.

12. (Original). The golf club head of claim 12, further comprising:

an adhesive layer disposed between said club head body and said cavity insert.

13. (Currently Amended). The golf club of claim ~~{13}~~ **11**, wherein:

the first cavity has a depth of approximately 0.215 inch; and

said face insert has a thickness of approximately 0.200 inch.

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14. (Original). The golf club of claim 11, wherein:

the lip extends outwardly approximately 0.025 inch from the lateral surface of said face surface toward the side wall of the first cavity.

15. (Currently Amended). A method of making a golf club head comprising:

providing a club head body composed of a first material, said club head body having a front face with a first cavity formed therein, **the first cavity being defined by a bottom wall and a side wall;**

providing a face insert composed of a second material **disposed in the first recess**, said face insert having a front surface ~~{and a back surface with a second cavity formed therein;}~~, **a back surface and a lateral surface, the back surface of said face insert having formed therein a second cavity defined by a planar bottom surface and lateral walls defining a height and a width dimension of the second cavity, the second cavity comprising a recess the depth of which is less than both the height dimension and the width dimension;**

providing a cavity insert composed of a third material **disposed in the second cavity;**

installing said cavity insert in said second cavity; and

mounting said face insert in said first cavity **with the lateral walls of the face insert are interposed between the cavity insert and the club head body such that the cavity insert does not contact the side wall of the first cavity.**

16. (Original). The method of claim 15, further comprising adhering said face insert to said club head body.

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17. (Original). The method of claim 16, further comprising utilizing an adhesive layer between said club head body and said cavity insert.

18. (New) The method of claim 17, wherein the adhesive layer does not contact said face insert.

19. (New) The method of claim 15, further comprising:

providing an adhesive layer adapted to conform to the back surface of the face insert; and

installing said face insert in the first cavity with the adhesive layer bonding the face insert directly to the bottom wall of the first cavity with the cavity insert trapped between the face insert and the bottom wall of the first cavity in direct contact with the bottom wall of the first cavity.